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Newton, MA--Third-year BC Law student Lauren Greenberg has been selected as one of 12 recipients of the Northeast Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel's (NEACC) tenth annual Law Student Ethics Award. The award will be presented at the chapter's annual dinner on April 15 at the Union Club in Boston. Wayne A. Budd, Senior Counsel at Goodwin Procter LLP and former U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts, will deliver the keynote address.

"We are all very proud of Lauren for receiving this award," BC Law Dean Vincent Rougeau said. "It illustrates her commitment to upholding the very highest ethical standards as a law student and young professional while reflecting Boston College's mission to educate students not only in the law, but also on how to be upstanding and virtuous members of their community."

Greenberg is being recognized for her commitment to ethics in the Boston College Defender clinic, in which she represents indigent clients charged with crimes in the Dorchester Division of the Boston Municipal Court. In nominating her for this award, Professors Sharon Beckman and Frank Herrmann and Visiting Clinical Professor Paul McManus of the Committee for Public Counsel Services wrote that "in addition to the careful ethical discernment required of all students in the BC Law clinical and experiential programs, Lauren has gone above and beyond what anyone could expect of a student, demonstrating extraordinary courage in her efforts to enforce the ethical norms upon which the accuracy and fairness of criminal justice system depend."

Before entering law school, Greenberg served in the Peace Corps in Madagascar. She holds leadership positions in the Boston College Law School Environmental Law Society and Amnesty International chapter.

According to the NEACC, the awards program was created to "recognize and encourage the ethical practice of law at the earliest stages of a young lawyer's professional career, and at the same time to shine a spotlight on ethics more generally, demonstrating that the legal community values lawyers who are guided by ethical principles." The award, which includes a \$1,000 scholarship, is given to twelve students, one from each of the participating local law schools, who have demonstrated an early commitment to ethics through work in clinical programs representing their first real clients.

The annual awards dinner is attended by many prominent judges of the state and federal trial and appellate courts in Massachusetts, including Justices of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, as well as faculty from the participating schools, the presidents of numerous bar associations, general counsel from many prominent local companies and managing and senior partners from law firms.